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RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
RE: MODIFICATION OF URBAN RENEWAL PLAN OF THE
WASHINGTON PARK URBAN RENEWAL AREA
PROJECT NO. MASS. R-24

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the Washington Park Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass. R-24, was adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority on January 16, 1963, and approved by the City Council of the City of Boston on February 18, 1963; and

WHEREAS, Section 1201 of Chapter 12 of said Plan entitled "Modifications" provides that the Urban Renewal Plan may be modified at any time by the Boston Redevelopment Authority provided that, if the general requirements, controls or restrictions applicable to any part of the project area shall be modified after the lease or sale of such part, the modification must be consented to by the Redeveloper or Redevelopers of such part or their successors and assigns, provided further that where the proposed modifications will substantially or materially alter or change the Plan, the modifications must be approved by the Boston City Council and the Division of Urban Renewal of the Massachusetts Department of Commerce and Development; and

WHEREAS, Section 602 of Chapter 6 of said Urban Renewal Plan entitled: "Land Use and Building Requirements" requires a minimum 30 foot rear yard setback for Parcel H-6; and

WHEREAS, the Boston Young Mens' Christian Association, the Redeveloper of Parcel H-6, has requested that the minimum rear yard setback be changed from 30 feet to 8 feet in order to allow for the addition of a gymnasium facility on that site sufficient in size to satisfy the Redeveloper's building needs and recreational programs for that facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

1. That Section 15 of Table A: Land Use and Building Requirements of Section 602 of Chapter 6 of said Urban Renewal Plan, on Page 17 of said Plan, is hereby modified by changing the minimum rear yard setback for Parcel H-6 from 30 feet to 8 feet.
2. That this proposed modification is found to be a minor modification which does not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan.
3. That all other provisions of said Plan not inconsistent herewith be and are continued in full force and effect.
4. That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon the concurrence therein of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM: John D. Warner Director

SUBJECT: MODIFICATION OF URBAN RENEWAL PLAN
DISPOSITION SITE H-6
WASHINGTON PARK URBAN RENEWAL AREA MASS. R-24

SUMMARY: This memo requests that the Board authorize an Amendment to the Washington Park Urban Renewal Plan respecting Parcel H-6 in order to accommodate a proposed gymnasium facility for that site.

Parcel H-6 was conveyed to the Boston Young Mens' Chrisitan Association on May 19, 1964 for the construction of YMCA facilities and playfields. The initial development of this site has since been completed and the Redeveloper is ready to proceed with the addition of a gymnasium facility in accordance with their overall development plan for the site as approved by the Authority.

The Urban Renewal Plan for the Washington Park Urban Renewal Area adopted by the Authority on January 16, 1963 in Section 602 thereof entitled: "Land Use and Building Requirements" prescribes a 30 foot minimum rear yard setback for Parcel H-6. Section 1201 of said Plan provides that it may be modified at any time by the BRA.

The Redeveloper and its Architect have requested that the minimum 30 foot rear yard setback be reduced to 8 feet in order to allow for the development of a gymnasium facility large enough to accommodate the recreational programs planned for that facility. Maintenance of the 30 foot setback would leave only 60 feet for construction of the gym. This depth is inadequate to satisfy present building needs of the YMCA.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the Authority adopt the attached Resolution modifying the Urban Renewal Plan for the Washington Park Urban Renewal Area by changing the minimum rear yard setback for Parcel H-6 from 30 feet to 8 feet.

Attachment